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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

J. W. PARK et al.

Application No.: 09/742,302

Filed: December 22, 2000

For: EX-VESSEL CORE MELT RETENTION  
DEVICE PREVENTING MOLTEN CORE  
CONCRETE INTERACTION

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Examiner: J. W. KEITH

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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated January 2, 2003, (Paper No. 13), the period of response to which extends through April 2, 2003, please amend the above identified application as follows: